

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE ON PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION REGARDING APPROVAL OF AN APPLICATION SUBMITTED UNDER THE REGULATIONS PREVENTION OF SIGNIFICANT DETERIORATION

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC - Cliffside Steam Station, has applied to the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Division of Air Quality (DAQ) for approval of a project, consisting of adding natural gas burning capability to its existing, coal/No. 2 fuel oil-fired Units 5 and 6 boilers. These boilers are located at 573 Duke Power Road, Mooresboro, NC 28114.

The project is subject to review and processing under the North Carolina Administrative Code, Title 15A, Environment Management Subchapter 02D Section .0530 "Prevention of Significant Deterioration" and Subchapter 02Q Section .0300 "Construction and Operation Permits".

The permit application has been reviewed by the DAQ, Permitting Section, Raleigh, North Carolina, to determine compliance with the requirements of the North Carolina Environmental Management Commission's air pollution regulations.

A preliminary review, including analysis of the impact of the facility emissions on local air quality, has led to the determination that the project can be approved, and the DAQ air permit issued, if certain permit conditions are met.

Rutherford County is classified as an attainment area for National Ambient Air Quality Standards for all criteria pollutants. Compliance with all ambient air quality standards and PSD increments are expected.

Persons wishing to submit written comments or request a public hearing regarding the Air Quality Permit are invited to do so. Requests for a public hearing must be in writing and include a statement supporting the need for such a hearing, an indication of your interest in the facility, and a summary of the information intended to be offered at such hearing.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing should be postmarked no later than September 17, 2017 and addressed to Rahul Thaker, Division of Air Quality, 1641 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1641.

All comments received prior to this date will be considered in the final determination regarding the Air Quality Permit. A public hearing may be held if the Director of the DAQ determines that significant public interest exists or that the public interest will be served.

A copy of all data and the application submitted by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC - Cliffside Steam Station and other material used by the DAQ in making this preliminary determination are available for public inspection during normal business hours at the following locations:

NCDEQ
Division of Air Quality
Permitting Section
217 West Jones Street
Raleigh, NC 27603

or

Asheville Regional Office
2090 U.S. Highway 70
Asheville, NC 28778

Information on the draft permit, the permit application, and the staff review is available by writing or calling:

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